

MINUTES  
April 30, 2009  
9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Jeff Goltz, Chairman  
Pat Oshie, Commissioner

The Regular meeting of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission was called to order on April 30, 2009, by Chairman Goltz.

E)1. 1-000 Consent Agenda

Disposition: Commissioner Oshie moved to approve the consent agenda and direct the Secretary to sign orders and/or letters necessary to affect each action. Commissioner seconded the motion. The motion carried (2:0).

UTILITIES:

A)1. 2:15 Docket Number UG-090470; Northwest Natural Gas Company  
; Introduces the Low-Income Bill Assistance Program. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Deborah Reynolds, staff; Tommy Brooks, Atty., Gable Houston

The commission took no action, thereby allowing proposed low income bill assistance program tariff revisions to become effective May 1, 2009, by operation of law.

A)2. 10:00 Docket Number UW-090523; Poseidon Water Company, Inc.  
; General rate increase to generate \$1,793 (24.6 percent) additional revenue per year. The company serves about 15 customers, near west Olympia, in Thurston County. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Jim Ward, staff

The commission took no action, thereby allowing proposed rates to become effective May 11, 2009, by operation of law.

## TRANSPORTATION:

B)1. 13:56 Docket Number TG-090097; Murrey's Disposal Company, Inc. Commission consideration of whether to make revised rates permanent. General rate increase for garbage, residential recycling, yardwaste, and drop-box collection services. The company is under common ownership with American Disposal Co., Inc. Together, the companies' filed rates that would generate approximately \$604,819 (2.2 percent) in additional annual revenue. The companies serve approximately 52,000 customers in Pierce County. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Chris Mickelson and Gene Eckhardt, staff; Dave Wiley, Atty., Murrey's Disposal

Disposition: Commissioner Oshie moved dismissed the Complaint and Order Suspending Tariff Revisions; allowed the tariff revisions, on less than statutory notice; granted exemptions from rules; and ordered refunds. Chairman Goltz seconded the motion. The motion carried (2:0)

B)2. 13:56 Docket Number TG-090098; American Disposal Company, Inc. Commission consideration of whether to make revised rates permanent. General rate increase for garbage, residential recycling, yardwaste, and drop-box collection services. The company is under common ownership with Murrey's Disposal Co., Inc. Together, the companies filed rates that would generate approximately \$604,819 (2.2 percent) in additional annual revenue. The companies serve approximately 52,000 customers in Pierce County. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Chris Mickelson and Gene Eckhardt, staff; Dave Wiley, Atty., Murrey's Disposal

Disposition: Commissioner Oshie moved to dismissed the Complaint and Order Suspending Tariff Revisions; allowed the tariff revisions, on less than statutory notice; granted exemptions from rules; and ordered refunds. Chairman Goltz seconded the motion. The motion carried (2:0)

B)3. 42:00 Docket Number TG-090272; Carroll-Naslund Disposal Service, Inc. dba: Naslund Disposal Service; General rate increase for garbage service for the company's Asotin County customers due to increased disposal fees, wages and the cost of converting to automated pickup. The annual revenue impact at staff recommended revised rates is \$72,700 (7.0 percent). The company provides service to approximately 3,900 customers in Asotin and Garfield counties. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Nicki Johnson

The commission took no action, thereby allowing the revised rates on April 23, 2009, to become effective on May 1, 2009, by operation of law.

B)4. 48:00 Docket Number TG-090380; Points Recycling and Refuse, LLC

dba: Point Recycling and Refuse; General rate increase for garbage collection service that would generate approximately \$4,900 (2.36 percent) in additional annual revenue. The proposed effective date is May 1, 2009. The proposed rate revisions are prompted by increases in disposal fees at the Point Roberts Transfer Station from \$241.31 to \$250.00 (3.6 percent) per ton. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Gene Eckhardt and Layne Demas, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Oshie moved to issued a Complaint and Order Suspending the Tariff revisions filed March 11, 2009, authorized the proposed rates filed on March 11, 2009, to become effective May 1, 2009, on a temporary basis, subject to refund. Chairman Goltz seconded the motion. The motion carried (2:0 )

OTHER: No Other items for this agenda.

RECESSED: No Recessed items for this agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Attested by \_\_\_\_\_  
David Danner, Executive Director and Secretary